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425-301 E. Hamburg St. (South side)
Baltimore, Md.
Private access

c.1845-1907

As with the 400 block of E. Cross St., this block of E. Hamburg St. is improved by a variety of house types, ranging in date over a broad span of years. 423-425 E. Hamburg St. is an unusual structure composed of a three story, two bay wide brick house with shed roof and first and second story wooden front porches, set back from the street, joined to a small two story, two bay wide gable-roofed house of somewhat later date. Immediately to the west, at 419-421 E. Hamburg St. there is a pair of similar two story, gable-roofed houses, undoubtedly built contemporaneously with the first mentioned such house at 423 E. Hamburg St., probably in the early 1850's. Moving west, at 403-417 E. Hamburg St. there is a row of late Victorian style, two story, three bay wide brick houses with shed roofs and bracketed cornices, built in the early 1890's by Henry Wessel, owner of Wessel's Department store at Charles and Hamburg Streets. To the west of this late row, at 337 E. Hamburg St., is another unusual house set back somewhat from the street, with its end wall facing the street and its two story, gable-roofed facade with first and second floor wooden porches facing east onto a wide alleyway. 335 E. Hamburg St. is a two story, two bay wide brick house with gable roof built in the 1850's, quite similar to 419-423 E. Hamburg St. 329-333 E. Hamburg St. is a group of two story plus attic, two bay wide brick houses built in the late 1840's. At the western end of the block, at 307-321 E. Hamburg St., there is a row of two story, two bay wide brown brick houses with shed roofs and sheet metal bracketed cornices, built in 1907 by Walter Hampson, and at 301-305 E. Hamburg St. there is a group of two story, three bay wide brick houses with shed roofs and bracketed cornices, built in 1890 by James F. Morgan.

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

403-417 E. Hamburg St.

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

— VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE	
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL	<input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

— VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Records Office Room 601

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

Baltimore City Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

STATE

Maryland 21202

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

— FEDERAL — STATE — COUNTY — LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED (411)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED (others)	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This row of eight two story, three bay brick houses with shed roofs and bracketed cornices were built as a unit in the 1890's by the same developer who built the row on Grindall St. immediately to the rear of these houses, 436-444 Grindall St. 415 and 417 Hamburg have been covered with formstone.

The houses are two stories in height, 14' wide, and occupy lots 80' deep. Each house is two rooms deep and each has a later two story high, one bay deep frame rear addition, followed by a one story high, one bay deep frame addition. The houses are constructed in running bond, although 415 and 417 Hamburg have been covered with formstone. Each house has a single hooded chimney located along the west side of the front and rear portions of the roof, in addition to a hooded rear end chimney located at the south end of the house. The shed roof is capped by a continuous cornice consisting of a deeply projecting crown molding decorated with a row of cut-work scallops, set above panels decorated with scroll-sawed motifs and bordered by a row of dentils. Four long carved brackets per house (the end brackets being shared with adjoining houses) support the cornice and connect it to a lower molding strip. The brackets are decorated with distinctive ball carvings. The same essential cornice is seen on the row at 436-444 Grindall St.

The door and window openings all originally had segmentally arched brick lintels with scroll-sawed tympanums. Most of the doorways, however, have been given more elaborate treatments in recent restorations. The sills are stone. All of the window openings, except at 403 and 407 Hamburg are filled with 1/1 double hung sash. 403 and 407 Hamburg have new 6/6 sash in their windows. A number of the houses have added doorway frames. At 403 Hamburg fluted pilasters support a flat cornice bordered by a row of dentils and set over a plain freize; at 405 Hamburg fluted pilasters support a slightly projecting wooden hood with arched top; at 407 Hamburg the doorway is framed by flat pilasters and the transom area above is boxed in; at 413 Hamburg fluted pilasters support a flat cornice over the transom area; and at 417 the arched doorway lintel has been replaced by a round arch lintel. The houses show a mixed array of door types. 403 Hamburg has a modern six panel door; 405 has a multi-light door; 407 has a modern flush door; 409 and 411 have late, panel doors with upper lights; 413 has a late Victorian panel door; and 415 and 417 have modern panel doors. The houses sit on fairly high basements, the entrances being reached by three or four brick steps, as the case may be. Each house has two square-shaped basement window openings.

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8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW				
PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION		
1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE		
1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE		
1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN		
1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER		
1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION		
1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)		
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION				

SPECIFIC DATES 1891-1896

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

Henry Wessel

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

See under 1001-1021 Riverside Ave.

This row of houses was built by Henry Wessel, the owner of Wessel's department store located at the south-west corner of Charles and Hamburg Sts. Although the houses are somewhat later in date than the row built by James F. Morgan along Riverside Ave., they are essentially the same in both exterior style and interior floor plan. The houses were initially rented to a variety of tenants by Wessel, but after his death they were sold by his heirs to individual owner-occupants (in 1910).¹

¹Baltimore City Land Records, Liber JB 1348, Folio 449; SCL 2577, Folio 465

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATAACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 14' x 80' each

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

M.E. Hayward / Historic Sites Surveyor

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DATE

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STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

1745 Circle Rd.

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

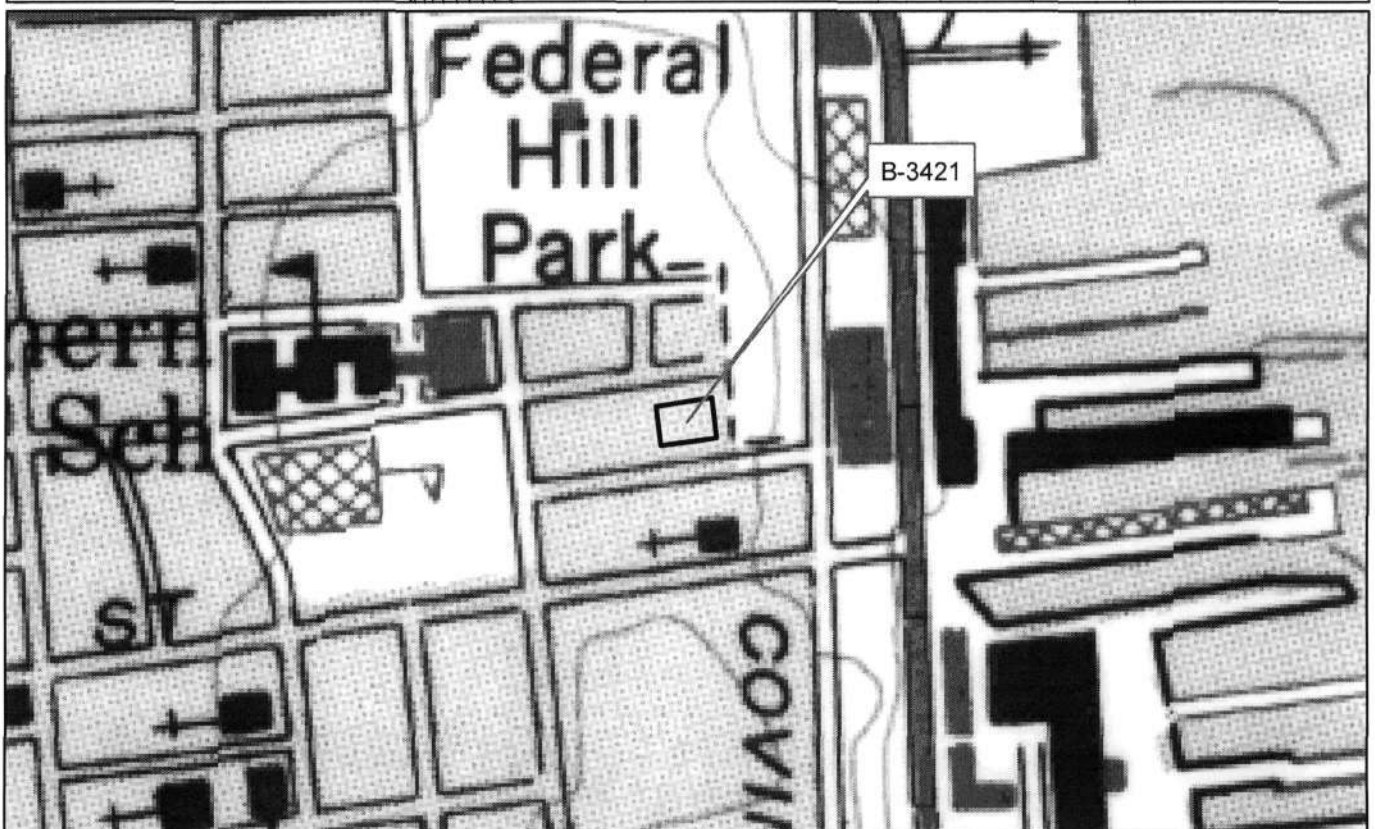
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Block 1915 Lots 067-074
Baltimore City
Baltimore East Quad.





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407 E. Hamburg St.

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North elevation